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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed January 9, 2007 in the above-identified application. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for a Five-Month Extension of Time, along with the appropriate fee. With the five-month extension, these documents are due on or before July 9, 2007.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21629-004.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.